

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Lonnie D. Lindsey)
) **Art Unit: 2814**
Serial No.: **Unassigned**)
) **Examiner: Palmer, Phan**
Filing Date: **July 25, 2003**)
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Title: **System and Method for Coupling and**)
Redirecting Optical Energy Between)
Two Optical Waveguides Oriented)
at a Predetermined Angle)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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July 25, 2003

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-styled patent application, which is a divisional of the parent patent application filed on April 19, 2002 and assigned U.S. Application Serial No. 10/126,914 on behalf of the inventor John D. Lindsey, please amend the application as shown below and consider the appended remarks.

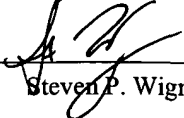
AMENDMENT

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1 with the following paragraph:

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